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Honorable W. Glenn Campbell, Chairman President's Intelligence Oversight Board Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of 6 August 1982 regarding reporting of intelligence activities to the President's Intelligence Oversight Board (IOB) by agency heads.

As you correctly point out, Executive Order 12334 does not by its express terms require heads of departments and agencies within the Intelligence Community, as it does Inspectors General and General Counsel, to report to the IOB intelligence activities they believe may be unlawful or contrary to Executive Order or Presidential Directive. However, this reporting requirement is specifically imposed on agency heads by Section 1.7(d) of Executive Order 12333. Consequently, I agree with your position that, unless the President specifically instructed that the Board not be informed, agency heads are obligated to report to the IOB intelligence activities which were thought to be unlawful or contrary to Executive Order or Presidential Directive and which had not been brought to the attention of the General Counsel or Inspector General. I wish to add, however, that, as a matter of practice within this Agency, either the General Counsel or Inspector General or both are advised of intelligence activities thought to be reportable to the IOB under the foregoing standard.

With regard to the question of a separate annual report to the IOB by an agency head, I agree with you that none is required by Executive Order 12334. Your letter implies, however, that such a report was required under E.O. 12036. That order contained no explicit requirement for an annual report from the

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head of any intelligence agency, and I am advised that under E.O. 12036 a consistent practice of annual reporting by agency heads was not developed.

Glenn, as you know, I am committed that the oversight process instituted by the President be effectively implemented. You have my assurance that I will be working closely with you to provide you all of the information you need to discharge the obligations of your office.

I look forward to the meeting you have suggested, at which time we may further discuss oversight matters.

Sincerely,

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